



## **The CSZ Community Retreat is a GO!**

Due to an enthusiastic early response, the CSZ Community Retreat is happening, June 4-6 at Walker Creek Ranch in Petaluma. Stay tuned for details on how you can still register for this wonderful weekend of rest, study and community.

## **New Women's Chavurah**

Congregation Sha'ar Zahav's new Women's Chavurah will be meeting on Wednesday, April 14, and on the second Wednesday of each month, from 7-9 pm. The Women's Chavurah will be a monthly forum for women of all ages and interests to connect and relate to one another, explore ideas, tell our stories and form friendships. Please come and bring friends, whether they are members of Congregation Sha'ar Zahav, are checking us out or will be coming for the first time.

## **Jewish Papercuts**

Led by Alan Foss

**Mondays, May 3, 10, 17 and 24, 7 – 9 pm**

As a child did you enjoy making those wonderful paper snowflakes? Were you one of those people who made great paper doll chains? If you answered yes to either one of these questions, you need to enroll in the upcoming CSZ art class! Come learn about the wonderful Jewish folk art of papercuts and leave with your own magnificent creations. The class will run for four consecutive Mondays and cover the history of Jewish papercuts, techniques and ideas for developing your own unique designs, and as a culminating project the class will present a student art show at CSZ. Join CSZ member Alan Foss for this four-week class on Jewish art. Cost of class is \$18 for members + \$10 material fee, \$36 for non-members + \$10 material fee. To register, please contact Melanie Kushnir (mkushnir@shaarzahav.org or 415/861-6932 x305) no later than Wednesday, April 28.

## **CSZ First Friday Potluck Shabbat Dinner**

**April 2, 6:30 pm**

Come celebrate the beginning of a joyous Shabbat with other members of Congregation Sha'ar Zahav on the first Friday in April – April 2, 6:30 pm in the oneg room.

Everyone is invited to join us for our second synagogue-wide potluck Shabbat dinner. We encourage you to bring your favorite salads, main courses, side dishes and desserts to share at the Shabbat table, as our community gathers to celebrate the beginning of Shabbat. Shabbat services do not begin until 8:15 pm on the first Friday of the month, so we will have

plenty of time to socialize and enjoy an unhurried meal.

The Keshet Committee is the proud sponsor of this event. We are seeking ways to build connections among the members of the congregation, to bring newer members together with longer-time members to enjoy each others' company and become better acquainted. The more we get to know our fellow members, the stronger our community will be.

If you have questions or plan to attend, please call the synagogue office or Joel Springer (415/503-1877 or jspringerIII@msn.com).

## **Passover News**

### **Passover Food Drive**

**March 25 - April 5 and April 14 - 31**

Come join CSZ in performing an easy and very important mitzvah. Bins will be in the lobby for the collection of donations. Please donate whatever you can – even one item is greatly appreciated. It makes a great tikkun olam project for children. Preferred products: canned tuna in water, canned beef stew, canned chili, canned pasta sauce, boxed macaroni and cheese, peanut butter in plastic containers, Gatorade or similar sports drinks in plastic bottles, 100% juice in plastic containers, cans or boxes, supplement bars, soy or rice milk in aseptic packages, canned vegetables, canned fruit in juice, rice in one pound bag or box and dry pasta in a bag or box. For more information, please contact Patricia Lin (510/527-8127 or princeucb@aol.com).

### **Passover Seder Matching**

**First Seder: Monday, April 5**

**Second Seder: Tuesday, April 6**

Welcoming people into your home is one of the mitzvot of Pesach. This year, please consider inviting a CSZer or two to your seder! If you have some space at your seder, or are a congregant looking for a seder to attend, please contact Melanie Kushnir (mkushnir@shaarzahav.org or 415/861-6932 x305). Include which seder (first, second or both) that you can host and how many spaces you have available. If you would like to attend a seder, please include which night you are looking to attend. Seder matching is available only for Sha'ar Zahav members.

**Yizkor Elohim**

**Ziggy Gimnicher**

March 8, 1927 - February 14, 2004

## Charoset and Chrain

By Arthur Slepian

The time of year is approaching when, in my household, our thoughts turn to our annual evening of making charoset. It was not always this way – when we first started having a Seder we would often “out-source” the charoset to a guest who might have asked “what can I bring?” But about five years ago, we decided it was time we made the charoset ourselves, because there are so many things about it we love.

We love to shop for the ingredients, selecting the apples and nuts, dates, figs and spices. We love the hands-on preparation: peeling the apples, chopping the dates and raisins. (Have you ever chopped raisins? A food processor can't do it.) And like so many things Jewish, there is no one right way to make charoset. We make one Ashkenazi and one Sephardic version each year, though the recipes change a bit as we read and experiment. We love them both, though by upbringing I lean to the Ashkenazi. Yet truth be told, the Sephardic version is more complex in flavor and texture, and it also stays fresh longer. Lasting longer is important, because we love to eat it, and we make a lot – enough for ourselves and to share with friends through all eight days of Passover. Unlike the miracle of oil at Chanukah, one day's worth of charoset can just not be made to last for eight.

Yet while we love the sweetness of the charoset, our secret is that we love to eat it just as the Seder describes, on matzah with a dollop of horseradish, or chrain as my



parents would have called it. The sandwich prescribed by Hillel tastes best to us even in the days following the Seder. Why are we drawn to the complexity of the bittersweet combination? Perhaps

because it is a taste of our lives.

And this year, the combination of the sweet with the bitter seems more relevant than ever. As I write this, more than three thousand same-sex couples (including Gerry and me) have been married here in San Francisco. It was a both a remarkable personal experience, and an amazing step forward for the liberation of our community. Yet at the same time we have a sitting President (and a portion of the country) supporting an amendment to our nation's Constitution that would ensure that gay men and lesbians are denied this fundamental right.

Here in the U.S., Jews continue to break down barriers that have excluded us from full participation in its economic, social and political institutions. This year for the first time there was a Jewish candidate in serious contention for a major party's nomination to the Presidency, and his religion did not seem to be much of an issue. Yet around the world, especially in Europe,

violence against Jews is alarmingly on the rise and anti-Semitism threatens to make a serious comeback. Here at home, a new movie has rekindled the debate over, as *Newsweek* puts it, “Who really killed Jesus?”

For queer Jews, these are both bittersweet and momentous times. We are twice blessed, and we find ourselves at the intersection of two struggles, each marked at once by both liberation and oppression. This Passover would be a good time to consider the special role that our community should play in each of these struggles. What is the work that we are called on to do to move our peoples closer to freedom? We should recall that as God and Moses led us out of Egypt, Pharaoh's army did not stand idly by. Let us both savor the moment and seize it, as Hillel suggested we do centuries ago. Let the sweetness of the charoset provide the energy and the chrain provide the wake-up call, through our nostrils to our brains, that there is much we need to do. For if not now, when?

## The Jewish Gaily Forward

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# Pinat Yeladim U'nishpachah

## Children and Family Corner



### Baby Chavurah

**Sunday, April 11, 10 - noon**

Bring those under-tuos out to play, sing and commune with like-minded babes and their parents. Join us for potluck brunch, play-time and socializing. This month we meet at the synagogue. Please bring your baby and a vegetarian dish. Older siblings are welcome, as are nonmembers. Baby Chavurah meets the second Sunday of each month.

### Family Kabbalat Shabbat

**Friday, April 16, 6:15 pm**

Meet, eat, sing and celebrate Shabbat with CSZ families and then stay for Friday night services. Families with children of all ages are encouraged to come. Dinner is vegetarian potluck; please bring a dish to share. No RSVP required. Be a part of the *ruach* (spirit) of our community and invite friends and family to join you. Shabbat Shalom!

### Tot Shabbat

**Saturday, April 24, 10:30 - 11:30 am**

Come celebrate Shabbat with your tot. Bring your 2- to 5-year-olds for singing, prayer, storytelling, crafts and Jewish family fun with Sandra Menachem, Early Childhood Education Specialist. Younger siblings and nonmembers are welcome.

### Kadimah Class

#### Spotlight: Kitah Dalet

Once a month, the students of Kitah Dalet can be found on Saturday morning in the hallway between the Rabbi's office and the Education office cutting vegetables. Food is one way in which these 4th and 5th grade students access the experiences of Jewish communities around the world, as they discover that traditional Jewish foods extend beyond latkes and gefilte fish. Through art, stories, film, photos and texts, Kitah Dalet students learn about the diversity of world Jewry, studying communities in China, Ethiopia, North Africa, Eastern Europe, Spain and more. Students learn about differences in Jewish ritual practice, Jewish beliefs and uncover the commonalities that bind us together.

This year Kitah Dalet is connecting person to person with Jewish children from Temple Emanuel in Woollahra Sydney, Australia. Through the internet, Kitah Dalet teacher Rachel Billow connected with Emanuel Education Director Bryan Conyar and together they matched up their students as penpals. The kids have been in contact through snail mail, sharing a bit about themselves, their families and their Jewish communities. This is one way to bring our kids in touch with the world Jewish community.

On Wednesday afternoons, the studies of Kitah Dalet students turn to Hebrew and

*T'fillah* (prayer) with teacher Rachel Timoner. Students are improving basic reading skills, while being introduced to Hebrew grammar and beginning to learn key elements of the service.

### The Amazing Pesach Race

**Sunday, April 3, 9:30 - noon**

The race for freedom is on! We will be racing to rid our shul of chametz (things that are leavened), encountering challenging roadblocks and piecing together our people's liberation. While we prepare for a week of matzah, we share our bread with those less fortunate. Kadimah will kick off the CSZ food drive when you bring food-stuffs to put in the SF Food Bank bins that will be in the lobby during Pesach. (See Food Bank article for details on what to bring.) This is a program for Kadimah families and other CSZ families with kids aged 5 and older. Bring your family and bring your running shoes.

**There is no Kadimah on  
April 7, April 10, and April 13.**

Contact Sue Bojdak, Director of Family and Children's Education,  
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## February Scholar-in-Residence Weekend With Rabbi Benay Lappe

By Andrew Ramer

All the pews are pushed back against the walls, and the sanctuary is filled with folding tables and folding chairs, circling the bimah. Very different from how it looks on Shabbat. Sixty of us are engaged in Talmud study, talking in small groups, reading Rabbi Lappe's English translations of the text, as she talks from the bimah, and moves around the room in her sparkling kipah, listening, inquiring, offering insights, during her second visit to Sha'ar Zahav as our Scholar-in-Residence.

"There are more people in this room," she said at one point, "than there were rabbis who first created the Talmud." What we are doing is, in Rabbi Lappe's words, a shared journey of "traditional radicals." We're immersing ourselves in the culture of our ancestors, as if the texts were a mikveh, and we're using our new knowledge to extend traditional *halakhah*, Jewish law, to include ourselves as well, 21st century Jews, all of whom are queer, different, although not all of us are LGBT.

We studied texts on forbidden sexual relationships and on people born from them, and saw how the rabbis worked their way around the Torah's restrictions so that those people could live full lives. Rabbi Lappe helped us see that the problems facing our full inclusion in the Jewish community were "solved two thousand years ago." Those ancient solutions just haven't been extended to us yet.

We came to the weekend from many different places, which we discussed at several points during the weekend. Rabbi Angel asked Rabbi Lappe why studying Talmud matters to anyone who comes from a Reform background, where traditional Jewish law isn't the final word. Rabbi Lappe's answer was multi-faceted. We study because Talmud is part of our cultural heritage. It helps us understand how we got here. We study because there are queer Jews who still live in a world of *halakhah*, who are looking for ways to live full lives. We study for the joy of studying together as Jews. We study to deepen our connection to our own inner source of guidance, our *svara*, our "insightful reasoning," a faculty that the rabbis of old said came from study, engagement in community and from God.

We met in the midst of our city's extending the rights of marriage to same-sex couples. We saw the ways in which laws can change. And, fortified by great food and even better conversation, we filled the sanctuary with our energy and enthusiasm for learning with an inspiring rabbi who's named her Chicago queer yeshiva *Svara*. Her passion – to help us know that we are part of the People of Israel, engaged in the work of *tikkun olam*, repair of the world.

## An Introduction to the Kabbalistic Tree of Life

Led by Andrew Ramer

Wednesday, June 2, 7 – 9 pm

The Tree of Life has long been a metaphor for the Torah, but in Jewish mysticism this image developed into a map for how a non-physical God could create a physical universe. In this class we will study the history of the Tree and learn about the ten spheres, *sephirot*, which represent the unfolding aspects of God's creative power. Then we will learn a Kabbalistic meditation that links the Tree and its energies to our bodies and our lives. This meditation will give us access to our inner wisdom and help us establish concrete goals in our lives and as participants in the work of *tikkun olam* (repairing the world). This class is free for CSZ members, \$18 for nonmembers.

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# Social Action Connection



by Susan Lubeck, co-chair

## NCLR Gala

April 24

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## Rebuilding Together

April 25

Join with other Sha'ar Zahavniks for one of our most popular service opportunities. Over the course of a Sunday you will help renovate the home of a low-income, elderly or disabled San Franciscan or a nonprofit facility. For more information, contact Laura Lowe (llovesf@earthlink.net).

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### • Bisexual Panel, May 1, 6:30 pm

Contact AJ Turpen (ajsparkles@mac.com).

### • Every Wednesday

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*Rabbi Camille Shira Angel*

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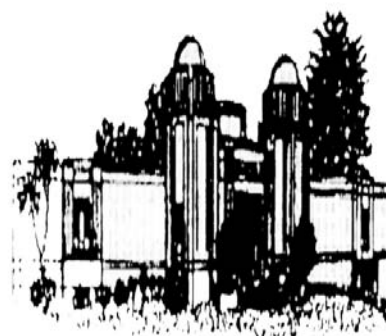
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## Naches



**Rachel Timoner and Joe Hample** on their acceptance into the Rabbinical Program at Hebrew Union College.

**Drew Parker-Rose** on his new position at GuideWire Software, where he will be in charge of customer service.

**Barbara Cymrot-Wu, Trudi Hauptman and Jeanette Nichols** for having their artwork featured in the "Divine Image: Artists Confronting the Second Commandment" exhibit at the Jewish Community Library.

**Bob Katz and John Brouillette** on the purchase of their new home.

**Dr. Steven Wiesner** who received the Fammy Award from Jewish Family and Children's Services for his many years of volunteering with JFCS's AIDS and LGBT Projects.

**Charlotte Halloran-Couch** on becoming a bat mitzvah.

**Amy Cunningham and Karen Golinski** on the naming of Daniel Caleb Golinski.

**Lynn Eden** on the publication of her book, *Whole World on Fire: Organizations, Knowledge, and Nuclear Weapons Devastation*, by Cornell University Press.

## Birthdays



- 1 Merle Malakoff
- 2 Jeremy Saz
- 2 Eliana Chalmers Frank
- 3 Eric Geffner
- 3 Quinn Klaiman
- 5 Adam Levine
- 5 Heather Fox
- 5 Jerome Goldstein
- 6 Edward Schultz
- 7 Lawrence Best
- 7 Eli Agre Baum
- 7 Jacob McConnell
- 7 Robert Schwartz
- 7 Anya Prussin
- 7 Judy Macks
- 8 Anna Katz
- 9 Eli Barnes
- 9 Emily Newfield
- 10 Glen Hauer

- 11 Liam Klaiman
- 11 Sydney Klaiman
- 11 Johanna Klaiman
- 11 Caryn Aviv
- 12 Zoe Kapsack
- 12 Devra Felder Noily
- 12 Susan Leff
- 12 Asher Kapsack
- 13 Bonnie Kates
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- 14 Lyssa Friedman
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- 14 Marjorie Hilsenrad
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- 16 Juliet Neidish
- 16 Peter Barnes
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- 16 Susan Borowitz
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- 19 Martin Spector
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- 23 Joshua Muller
- 23 Sara Haber
- 23 Lyn Stein
- 24 Evan Puckett
- 24 Karen Schiller
- 25 Brian Ellis
- 26 Andre Fournier
- 27 Adam Barrett
- 27 Victoria Weiser
- 30 Lynn Eden

## Condolences

**Tova Green**, on the death of her father, Alexander Schwartz.

**Gregory Ramos**, on the death of his uncle, Paul Joseph Pakin.

**Jonathan Funk**, on the death of his mother, Pearl Funk.

**Reuben Zellman**, on the death of his grandmother, Celia Zellman.

**Alan Foss**, on the death of his cousin, Carol Adams.

**Lonnie Weiss**, on the death of her friend, Al Tenenbaum.

## Anniversaries

- 4 Lucy Bernholz and Paula Fleisher
- 10 Carolyn Pines and Judy Schwartz
- 15 Arthur Slepian and Gerry Llamado
- 21 Rena Frantz and Ora Prochovnick
- 29 Barbara Leff and Arlene Singer
- 30 Nicole Bloom and Sue Swigart



## Yahrzeits

- 1 Adam Harris
- 2 Ronald Gertz
- 3 Abraham Cohen
- 6 Dennis Mitchell
- 21 Robert Serman
- 23 Michael Randall
- 24 Norma Faini-Pick

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<b>4</b> <b>3 pm</b> Youth Group Meeting <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service	<b>5</b> <b>Erev Pesach</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service	<b>6</b> <b>Pesach</b> <i>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</i> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service	<b>7</b> <b>Pesach</b> <i>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</i> <b>5 pm</b> Most Holy Redeemer <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service	<b>8</b> <b>Pesach</b> <i>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</i> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service <b>6:30 pm</b> Va'ad meeting	<b>9</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Shabbat Potluck dinner <b>8:15 pm</b> Shabbat Services led by Rabbi Angel and Jake Wirtschafter	<b>10</b> <b>Pesach</b> <i>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</i> <b>9 am</b> Torah Study <b>10 am</b> Shabbat Services led by Rabbi Angel and Andrew Ramer
<b>11</b> <b>Pesach</b> <i>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</i> <b>10 am</b> Baby Chavurah <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service	<b>12</b> <b>Pesach</b> <i>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</i> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service	<b>13</b> <b>Pesach</b> <i>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</i> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service <b>7 pm</b> Queer Torah Study Project	<b>14</b> <b>Pesach</b> <i>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</i> <b>5 pm</b> Most Holy Redeemer <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service <b>7 pm</b> Women's Chavurah	<b>15</b> <b>Pesach</b> <i>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</i> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service	<b>16</b> <b>Pesach</b> <i>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</i> <b>7:30 pm</b> Shabbat Service led by Sarita Groisser and Daniel Chesir	<b>17</b> <b>Pesach</b> <i>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</i> <b>9 am</b> Torah Study <b>10 am</b> Shabbat Services led by Jeff Piade and Ron Edelman
<b>18</b> <b>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service	<b>19</b> <b>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service <b>7 pm</b> Keshet meeting	<b>20</b> <b>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service <b>7 pm</b> Queer Torah Study Project	<b>21</b> <b>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</b> <b>4 pm</b> Midweek Kadimah <b>5 pm</b> Most Holy Redeemer <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service <b>7 pm</b> Jews and the News	<b>22</b> <b>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service	<b>23</b> <b>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</b> <b>7:30 pm</b> Special Shabbat Musical Service led by Rabbi Angel and Randy Weiss	<b>24</b> <b>Israel Photo Exhibit "Our Country"</b> <b>9 am</b> Torah Study <b>9:30 am</b> Kadimah <b>10 am</b> Shabbat Services led by Rabbi Angel and Ron Edelman- Baby naming of Harold Joseph Lahn-Schroeder
<b>25</b> <b>3 pm</b> Youth Group meeting <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service	<b>26</b> <b>Yom Ha'atzmaut</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service <b>6:30 pm</b> CEB meeting	<b>27</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service <b>7 pm</b> Queer Torah Study Project	<b>28</b> <b>4 pm</b> Midweek Kadimah <b>5 pm</b> Most Holy Redeemer <b>6:30 pm</b> Ma'ariv Service	<b>29</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ritual Committee	<b>30</b> <b>7:30 pm</b> Kabbalat Shabbat Ensemble	<b>10:30 am</b> Tot Shabbat